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TOWN TALK.

Commission merchants predict that eggs will soon be sold by weight.

Raffles are said to be the order of the holiday season now approaching.

The reduced holiday railroad passenger rates will go into effect to-day.

The North Division street roller rink will re-open, it is said, on Wednesday.

"All quiet" read at the bottom of the report for yesterday at the Police Headquarters.

The churches generally throughout the city will have special Christmas exercises for the children.

The lively men did a thriving business yesterday. Every lively horse in town was engaged.

The McGarry larceny case will be taken up in the Superior Court at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Miss Jennie B. Wilson, of Geneva, N. Y., is spending the holidays with her sister Mrs. E. J. Babcock.

A cheap piano with coin was found on West Bridge street several days ago, and still awaits at police headquarters.

Though it was Sunday Jefferson avenue was uncomfortably crowded with turnouts of every description yesterday.

A three-fingered glove awaits an owner at police headquarters. If Darum could see this notice he'd suspect something.

Congressman Houseman returned from Washington yesterday morning, and will remain in the city until after New Year.

Prof. Bradley, a champion roller skater, will give an exhibition of fancy skating at the West Side rink Wednesday evening.

Wm. Murphy, the sand-bagger, who robbed C. Vetting of \$40, was found guilty by a jury on Saturday in the Superior Court.

Grand Rapids Lodge, No. 814, I. O. G. T., will hold its tenth anniversary at the hall, corner of Pearl and Canal street to-night.

The Sunday Schools were generally full yesterday. Perhaps the fact that Christmas is near at hand has something to do with it.

Mrs. Anna L. Lord, a Monroe street milliner, has made a bill of sale of her stock to Spring & Co. The stock was heavily mortgaged.

Now comes the startling news that C. B. Mabley, of Detroit, the prince of clothiers, has serious designs of locating in Grand Rapids.

The annual meeting of the Y. M. C. A. will occur this evening at 7:30 o'clock in the Y. M. C. A. parlor for the election of officers for the ensuing year.

John Heinzelman, of No. 203 Livingston street was pronounced insane by County Physician Babcock on Saturday, and is now under the care of Sheriff Kinney.

A freight train bound north on the G. R. & L. Railroad was derailed this side of the Junction Saturday evening, and the engineer and fireman badly injured.

The hearing in the case against Deputy Postmaster Melis, accused of violation of the Civil Service laws was adjourned in the Supreme Court on Saturday for two weeks.

W. R. Shelby, assignee of the Michigan Iron Works Light and Power Company, gives notice that he is prepared to go right ahead with the business of the defunct company.

Ellsworth Reichard, convicted of counterfeiting money last week, was granted a new trial on Saturday in the United States Court, upon the ground of new evidence discovered.

United States Attorney Hyde examined Ralph McCann and Lyman Wright, on Friday, and decided to hold them for trial at next term of United States Court in this city for counterfeiting.

A "scrapping match" Saturday evening at O'Donnell's saloon, convinced Fred Dully that Charley Stearns, weight 110 pounds, was the best feather-weight in Michigan, and he wagers \$100 on his opinion.

President Hughtar, of the G. R. & L. states that there is no foundation for the reports published in the Chicago and Detroit papers to the effect that farmers in Northern Michigan are in destitute circumstances.

A thief, whose tastes for the good things of this life can not be denied, stole a lot of cold ducks, chickens, beef steaks, etc., from the meat market of Albert Vandermolen, No. 726 East Fulton street, late on Saturday night.

A man named J. J. Cannon alias J. J. Johnson, was brought to the county jail on Saturday and locked up on the charge of forgery on a Lowell National Bank. He has already served terms in the Joliet and Jackson prisons.

The military men of the city have an interest in the meeting of the State Military Board at Lansing on Tuesday. It is proposed to attach all new military companies to the new Fourth regiment, or the present Detroit battalion.

Our market informant, on Saturday, very properly said, "venison is out of the market." Notwithstanding, the carcasses of deer were exhibited for sale all along the line on Monroe street. Sportsmen will yet be on the trail of the illicit dealers.

Gonzalez, of the Morton, has received a box of cigars made Arguelles y. Hermans, of New York. They are seven inches long and made of clear Havana, and Mr. G. intends to demonstrate his esteem for the press by distributing them among the newspaper men.

The death of Miss Emma, daughter of Mr. Alexander Hanson, has cast a gloom over the immediate friends and relatives of the deceased lady. Her youth and versatile accomplishments make the pang of her untimely death all the more difficult to bear by her friends.

Several owners of fast horse flesh, who delight in vying with each other in getting the lead on the avenue, are desirous that North Front street be assigned for speeding purposes. A better selection could not be made, it is entirely free from cross streets, and ordinarily there is scarcely any traffic on it.

The congregation of Westminster Presbyterian church will hold a meeting at the church on Wednesday evening, when the matter of extending a call to the Rev. Mr. Hickman, of Ayondale Church, Cincinnati, will be brought up for discussion. A committee from the church visited Cincinnati and heard Mr. Hickman a week ago yesterday.

The pigeonhole portion of a desk belonging to Perkins & Hess was found in the rear of their store 122 Louis street yesterday morning. The desk drawer in the same was broken, into, but the burglars got nothing but papers and memoranda for their trouble. The papers and letters in the pigeonholes were undisturbed.

A stabbing affray occurred last evening in the vicinity of the Forest City House, on Almy street, which might have resulted fatally. The same old story of foundation was repeated, wherein one man became jealous of another, and resorted to cold steel as a way of satisfying his vengeance. The police were not called in.

Malone, of Virginia, has not been in his seat in the Senate since Congress assembled Dec. 1.

METHODISM AND EDUCATION.

An Address on the Subject by Rev. Dr. Gilbert.

As a part of the celebration of the centenary of Methodism, Rev. Dr. Gilbert, of the Division street M. E. Church, delivered a discourse yesterday morning on the duty and interest of the Methodist Episcopal Church in educational work, taking as a text Proverbs XXIV, 3, 4 and 5. The speaker said that all through the Scripture knowledge is made the handmaid of religion. When others had little interest in education, the church fostered it. If, therefore, the Methodist Church is to be a Bible Church it must encourage education. Methodism owes a debt which she cannot pay unless she establishes an institution of high grade to which her sons and daughters may be sent. He who gives his child an education does the best he may. If a man is to spend his life digging in a ditch, it would not be best for him to spend four or six years in a high school. But we cannot tell always to what sphere of usefulness a child may be adapted. But it would be better that a boy should have no learning beyond that given in the high school than that he should be sent to a college to listen to the teaching of infidel professors. So the denomination should have schools of its own. The children of Methodists should be placed in Methodist institutions. We owe it to our country to establish these institutions. Most colleges are under the control of some denomination. Methodism has a membership of 4,000,000, and it should bear its proportion of educational work. But the welfare of the church itself demands the establishment of these schools. The founder of the church was a college student and Methodism was begun in a college. This was necessary. It took men with large mental endowment. Otherwise there would have been the wildest fanaticism. All the plans of the earlier leaders show that these leaders realized the need of schools. In like manner if Methodism is to succeed in the future, it must foster education. An educated laity is desirable, but it is especially desirable that education should be encouraged for the furnishing of the ministry. The future will demand a more highly educated ministry than the past. There is already difficulty in properly supplying the Methodist pulpit. The church increases more rapidly than the ministry, and men are forced into the ministry before properly educated. Again the missionaries and the editors demand education. Have we gifts let us consecrate them to the church, that it may prosper.

AT POWERS'S OPERA HOUSE.

An Address by Mrs. Sunderland, of Ann Arbor.

Quite a large audience assembled at Powers's Opera House last evening, to witness the Unitarian services as interpreted by Mrs. Eliza R. Sunderland, of Ann Arbor. The novelty of a woman in the pulpit probably drew the larger portion of the audience to the theatre. Mrs. Sunderland, in a quiet, unostentatious manner, conducted the services, and delivered the address of the evening. Pretending to no effects of oratory she gave a plain talk upon the mission of the church, its doctrines and purposes. The defense of "women in the pulpit" may be left to others. Suffice it to say for Mrs. Sunderland, that while she is undoubtedly sincere in her work as a liberal missionary, it is somewhat doubtful that she could ever build up and hold a large congregation of advanced thinkers. The numbers rendered by the choir, especially the solos, were particularly pleasing. The pastor, Rev. Mr. Powers, was in Ann Arbor yesterday.

The Weekly Review.

Saturday night—week's work done—paid off—single men and a good many married men—get full of the "budge"—stay out late—get home early—in the morning—sleep until noon—wake up—oh my head—no appetite—get a brace—no good—take another—no effect—third, feel little warmth—tightness about the head begins to loosen—try and another and another—feel "holly"—meet a friend—accept an invitation another—feel splendid—get confidence to such an extent that it's impossible to get full—foolish—Dinner hour—don't want any—Rather stay and talk with boys—Stay down all the afternoon—Take "another's" frequently—full—Monday morning—no good—head worse than day previous—breath make an onion small sweat—big fool I am—sweat off—until pay-day comes. The police state that they notice more drunkenness Saturday nights than any other night during the week.

The Boy, or, Life a School.

The Rev. Chas. Fluhrer opened his series of five Shakespearean lectures last evening with a large audience.

"The Boy, or, Life a School," was the subject, and the speaker took a latitude in discussing it that ranged from the distinctive marks of a boy kicking the covers in the cradle, to the point of when he feels himself unrepresentable in decent society. He gathered together incidents of boy-life that showed, true to nature, that the boy is the father of the man, and demonstrated that any household that masters a boy can pointedly say, "he is our king," for he rules everything. The lecture was listened to with great interest throughout.

Captured a Burglar.

Detective Connelly arrested Frederick Deatur, Saturday, charged with burglarizing Roby & Son's saloon on last Thursday night.

Connelly got a clue to the burglar through a handkerchief and memorandum book which he left in the basement of the saloon. He learned that Deatur was in town and went to his room on Monroe street where he captured him. He searched him and found a pocket-book containing some tickets corresponding with those found in the memorandum book.

"Alvin Joslin."

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THE POOR REMEMBERED.

Practical Fruits of a Sunday School Christmas Tree.

The great truth that it is more blessed to give than to receive was practically illustrated at the Park Congregational Church last evening. The Sunday School session rooms were packed with children and members of the school, several not being able to obtain sittings. The theme of the evening was "giving," and especially to the poor. The recitations, scripture readings, responsive readings and much of the music, bore directly upon this subject. The Sunday school had brought its offerings to deposit at the foot of empty Christmas trees for the poor. Little hands and large arms were laden with all kinds of presents, and as the superintendent called the roll of the classes they deposited the same at the platform. This portion of the exercises was especially interesting, and when the infant classes bore their treasures, and Rev. Powell's aged pillars theirs, the little ones could not longer hold their happiness, and clasped their hands joyously. It would be difficult to estimate the number of packages deposited at the trees, but it is safe to say there were enough to give the children of five hundred homes a merry Christmas. A large sum of money formed part of the gift, and the members of the school have cause to remember with rejoicing the time when they played the part of Santa Claus to brighten so many cheerless homes and hearts.

A Complimentary Dinner.

Last evening Peter Duran, Esq., tendered Hon. Isaac Marston, who is in the city as attorney for the defense in the Millard trial, a complimentary supper. There were a few invited guests present and the menu which was served at "the Senator's" Morton House restaurant, was most excellent. It consisted of chicken broth, blue points steamed, lard partridge, quail on toast, chicken salad, etc. It reflected great credit upon the Senator's reputation as a caterer, to which the gentlemen present attested inasmuch as they had a most enjoyable time, noticeable for quibbles, jokes and such flashes of merriment as are especially characteristic in a gathering of legal talent.

Daniel Lockwood, who made the speeches that placed Cleveland in nomination for Mayor, Governor and President, is worth \$200,000, and would like to represent the Government abroad.

Piano to be Given Away.

It has been stated by certain competitors through advertisements and in conversation with people that the Sohmer piano is a "second-class" and an "inferior" instrument. In order to give them a chance to substantiate these statements publicly I will make the following offer:

If these parties will bring competent authority and proof that the Sohmer is not a "first-class" piano in tone, action, material, workmanship and durability—in fact in every respect—I will give the finest piano in my store to a worthy musical society of this city free of charge.

This offer I will hold open for the next thirty days.

In the meantime I invite the public to call at my store to examine the Sohmer, which is the standard of excellence.

PAUL W. FRIEDRICH,
24 Monroe street.

A Sweeping Reduction.

Commencing to-day, the sale to continue until New Year's, Winegar, in the Porter Block, will offer his large stock at the following tremendously reduced prices:

Webster's Unabridged Dictionary, \$9.00.

British Poets, red line edition, 60 cents.

British Poets in Padded Alligator, \$1.98.

Household edition, Whittier, Tennyson and Longfellow, \$1.75.

E. P. Roe's complete works, \$1.20 each.

Full stock of 12-mos. at 48 cents.

French plate push back hand mirrors, 60c, worth \$1.00.

Portfolios marked down 5 per cent. below cost.

Photograph Albums in leather and silk plush, selling within ten per cent. of cost.

Be sure you look the stock over before purchasing. These goods are offered at ridiculously low prices.—Ed.

Only a few Wood Writing Desks left, which will be closed very low.

Our whole line of games, sliced pictures, A, B, C, and building blocks, and boy's tool chests, marked at prices beyond competition.

Notwithstanding the rush of last week we still have a good assortment of juvenile books, which have been reduced 10 per cent.

Bibles, Testaments, common Prayer Books and Hymnals at prices that cannot be beat.

Serena Book at 10, 20, 25, 35, 45, 55, 65, 75, 85, 95, \$1.25, \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.25.

An elegant line of Fringed Books at 75, \$1.10, \$1.25.

Cut Glass Ink and Paper Weights, an immense assortment, 15 cents to \$2.25.

Ladies' Hand Bags in all styles. We are bound to close. Come and pick out your own price.

Velvet Frames, all sizes and styles, 25 to 50 cents.

A box of fine Key West Cigars \$2.25.

Boxed Stationary, Autograph Albums and Christmas Cards, at the same sweeping reduction at Winegar's, in Porter block.

Hartman has just received an importation of Italian Grapes.

We enjoyed on Saturday a visit to the new establishment of Wm. A. Berkey, on Waterloo street. Mr. Berkey is now in splendid shape to do business. In his large ware-rooms will be found a very large stock of all kinds of furniture, which will be sold at cheaper prices than ever before offered in Grand Rapids. Those seeking a substantial and acceptable Christmas gift will find in his stock many articles that will nicely meet their wishes.

Everybody Should Know

Our Roller Champion Patent is the very best flour for all purposes in the market. Try it and no further argument will be needed. If your grocer doesn't keep it, send your order direct to us, we will deliver it all parts of the city free of charge.

VALLEY CITY MILLING CO.

Hops at Luce's Hall.

The next hop of the series given by James Bayne at Luce's Hall will occur to-morrow evening, December 22. These dances are proving very pleasant occasions. The music is particularly good. All friends and former pupils are cordially invited.

Go and see the display of Fancy Goods at J. J. VanLeuven's.

William A. Berkey's store, No. 47 Waterloo street, will be open every evening until after the holidays.

Great Cut in Relishes of all Sorts at Hatch's.

The great "cut" at Hatch's extends to all manner of sauces, relishes, etc. You can now buy Luce's Relish at 10 cents per bottle. Luce's salad dressing at 15 cents; Halford sauce at 15 cents; and Green & Blackwell's pickles, pint bottles 30 cents and quart 50 cents. Goods guaranteed A. 1.

New line of Stationery at Hartman's.

Curiosities of Trade.

The cheapening of merchandise is a remarkable feature of our commercial life. This is apparent in the prices at which Holiday Goods are offered by some of our leading stores. For instance for five cents you can buy a China Mug, Tin Cup, China Doll, Toy Watch, China Figure, Tin Toy wheels, Savings Bank, Goblet, Salt Celler, Glass Plate, Nest Egg, Bisque Figure, China Vase, China Toy Pitcher, Battle and Whistle, Buttonhole Bouquet Holder, Fringed Christmas Card, etc., etc.

For Ten Cents you can buy a China Cup and Saucer, Bohemian Vase 6, 7 or 8 inches high, Child's A B C Plate, Child's Picture Mug, China or Majolica Cream Pitcher, Large Glass Mug, Engraved Goblet, Fancy Tin Cup or Pail, Wooden Toy Pail, Whisk Broom, Majolica Begonia Leaf, Large Fringed Christmas Card, etc.

For Twenty-Five Cents you can buy a Cologne Bottle, 1, 2, 3 or 4 oz., richly cut or decorated; 5 oz. cut Stopper Cologne, for covering with satin; Vinagrette; Crystal Thermometer; Fancy Ink Bottle; Crystal Regal Holder; China Vase, with raised flowers; Toothpick Holder; Comic Bisque Figure; China Jewel Box; Bronze Match Box; Kiota Ash Receiver; Bohemian Cologne Bottle; Powder Box; China Milk Pitcher; China Fruit Plate; China Fruit Basket in wire frame; Majolica Water Pitcher; Crumb Brush and Tray; Decorated Bread and Milk Set; Decorated Cup Saucer and Plate; handsome Bohemian Vase, 8, 9 or 10 inches high; Shells of Ocean.

For Fifty Cents you can buy a Cologne Bottle, 4, 6 or 8 oz., rich cut or engraved; Paper Weight; Fancy Pepper or Salt Bottle; Thermometer, on crystal stand; 1 doz. Majolica Individual Butters; Luminous Match Box; colored glass Water Jug; decorated China Pitcher; large Motto Cup and Saucer; Moustache Cup and Saucer; fine Motto Mugs; Shaving Mug; Fruit Basket; Bisque Figure, 4 to 6 inches high; Majolica Teapot; Majolica Water Pitcher; Majolica Molasses Pitcher; Majolica Butter Dish; Bisque Figure, with Umbrella; Lava Smoking Set; Majolica Salad Bowl; Majolica Bread Plate.

The above prices are at H. Leonard & Sons, 16 Monroe street.

Great Reduction in Canned Goods at Hatch's.

Just think of 3-pound cans of tomatoes, only 10 cents per can; 3-pound cans yellow peaches, 20 cents; 2-pound cans corn, 10 cents; 2-pound cans Lima beans, 10 cents; 2-pound cans string beans, 10 cents; 4-pounds of dried currants for 25 cents; French peas and mushrooms only 25 cents per can; and similar unheard of reduction in olives, sardines, and all kinds of canned and bottled goods and relishes. Call and sample or telephone your order.

Dining room parlors now open over the Grand Union Cafe.

Have your Stamping done at J. J. VanLeuven's.

Only one more day of the half-price sale of Albums at Wilson's Picture Store, 39 Canal street.

Don't forget that Kimball's is the place to get your Pianos and Organs. Hallet, Davis & Co., of Boston, and the world-renowned Emerson Pianos, and the Organ of the day are to be found at Kimball's, Redmond's Opera House Block, 115 Canal street.

Hartman's Fine Art Parlors open every evening.

Persons wanting help should call on Brooks, 117 Monroe street.

Plush goods at Hartman's.

Take a Sleigh Ride.

The return of the sleighing season has brought Pulver again to the front. If you wish everything just right Pulver is the man to see. Good horses, handsome cutters and plenty of robes makes a sleigh ride from his establishment pleasant and enjoyable. Give him your orders at 64 North Ionia street.